

Fairer warmer.

Something Elegant

SMOKING JACKETS. "The thing" for a Christmas present for a man. We have lots of them. Must sell them this week. So we cut the prices. We offer them this way:

- \$4 SMOKING JACKET for.....\$2.48
- \$5 SMOKING JACKET for.....3.98
- \$7 SMOKING JACKET for.....4.87
- \$8 and \$10 SMOKING JACKET for...5.87
- \$10 to \$14 SMOKING JACKET for...6.87
- \$15 and \$16 SMOKING JACKET for...9.98

They are in Scotch and English Plannels, Ladies' Cloth, Tricot, etc. Plain, Stripes and Plaids.
Boys' and Youths' Smoking Jackets, \$3.98. Mens' Dressing Gowns, \$5.87, \$6.98 and \$8.98.

THE WHEN

Open evenings until Christmas.
Our ad. in this evening's papers will cause a wave of surprise.

MORPHY, HIBBEN & CO

93, 95, 97 and 99 South Meridian Street.
(Wholesale Exclusively.)

ODD LOTS:

Broken assortments of Ladies', Gents', Misses' and Children's Wool and Worsted Hosiery.
Incomplete lots of Ladies', Gents', Misses' and Children's Jersey Rib and Flat Underwear.
The size may be just what you want to fill out your stock. The price is much less than manufacturing cost.

MEN'S FIRST QUALITY

"NON-SNAG"

RUBBER BOOTS

\$2.40 Per Pair
Net 30 Days. No punched Goods. All made for us.

McKEE & CO., Indianapolis

December 25

That's not far off now. And a Christmas Present of one of these

Wrought Steel Ranges

Would about hit the nail on the head.

All kinds of Stoves. Nothing but Stoves.

INDIANAPOLIS STOVE CO., 71 and 73 S. Meridian

BIG 4 ROUTE

HOLIDAY EXCURSIONS

TO ALL POINTS IN

CENTRAL

Traffic Association Territory

Tickets for the public will be sold Dec. 23, 24 and 31 and Jan. 1, all good to return until Jan. 2; also, to students and teachers presenting proper certificates of principals. Information will be sold whenever called for, good to return until Jan. 11.

For tickets and full information call at Big Four ticket offices, No. 1 East Washington Street, 36 Jackson Place and Union Station.

H. M. BRONSON, A. G. P. A.

Home Seekers' Excursion

Via Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railroad, Tuesday, December 18, 1894.

ONE FARE FOR THE ROUND TRIP

To points in Virginia and North Carolina. For further information call at ticket office, No. 2 West Washington Street, old "Bee Hive" corner, or Union Depot.

I. D. BALDWIN, D. P. A.

MONON ROUTE

Leaves Indianapolis for Chicago, Ill., via Chicago, Monday, December 18, 1894.

THE VESTIBULE PULLMAN CAR LINE

Leave Indianapolis for Chicago, Ill., via Chicago, Monday, December 18, 1894.

For further information call at Union Ticket Office, corner Washington and Meridian streets, D. P. A. I. D. BALDWIN, D. P. A.

The Indianapolis Warehouse Company

WAREHOUSEMEN, FORWARDERS AND COMMISSION

Money advanced on consignments. Registered receipts given. Nos. 265 to 273 SOUTH PENNSYLVANIA STREET. Telephone 1343.

WAGON WHEAT 52

ACME MILLING COMPANY,

22 West Washington Street.

Wave of outwary.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 18.—A wave of outwary struck Kansas City late last night. Ex-Deputy Comptroller Isaac Cahn was fatally shot through the brain by Foster Pollard in a Troup-avenue saloon. Five persons were held up individually and robbed by footpads on Independence avenue, near Highland, and two persons were robbed in Blue street. Out of the victims, Nettie Harris, a young colored woman, was shot because she refused to throw up her hands. She is not dangerously wounded.

MILLIONS AT STAKE

TWO IMPORTANT DECISIONS INVOLVING LARGE SUMS OF MONEY.

American Bell Telephone Company Defeated in the Suit Brought at Boston by the Government.

Berliner Patent Void

R. S. TAYLOR, OF PORT WAYNE, ONE OF THE SUCCESSFUL ATTORNEYS.

Pullman Palace-Car Company Bitten in a Case That Has Been in Litigation Nine Years.

Verdict Rendered Against the Insurance Companies.

Policies Aggregating \$44,655 Must Be Paid to Relatives of the Dead Missouri Doctor.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 18.—After three weeks consumed in its trial and one day in argument, the jury, to-day in its verdict, returned a verdict in the famous Dr. Fraker insurance case. It was in favor of the relatives of Fraker, who sued five companies which held policies on the doctor's life when he was drowned in Excelsior Springs, Missouri, July 19, 1893. The policies aggregated \$44,655, and the plaintiffs have been granted judgment for the full amount. The different companies and amounts follow: Provident Savings and Life Assurance Society of New York, \$10,000; Hartford Life and Annuity Insurance Company, \$15,000; Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias of the World, \$13,000; Modern Woodmen of America, \$1,655. The beneficiaries named in the policies are the two sisters of Dr. Fraker, Mrs. Cynthia Hatfield and Margaret Magruder, of Macon county, Missouri; and six orphan nephews and nieces living in Oregon, Washington State and California. The case has been the subject of much interest and has been desperately fought on both sides. The trial has been very costly to the defense. Dr. H. J. Fraker was a physician with a moderate practice at Excelsior Springs, Mo., July 19, 1893, while on a fishing trip in Missouri he slipped into the bank and was drowned. Not the least of the evidence in the case was the complete disappearance being so exceptional, several of the insurance companies refused to pay the policies. Dr. Fraker, it was asserted, it was a conspiracy to defraud and that the doctor swam the river and escaped in the garb of a woman. It was in this theory the defense introduced testimony to show the doctor changed his sex every seven years, and had awaited such a transition to practice the deception.

Mrs. McElroy Sues for \$31,725.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 18.—Mrs. Della McElroy, for her two children, has brought suit in the Circuit Court to recover \$31,725 from the Equitable Life Insurance Company of New York. She claims a policy taken out by her deceased husband, James E. McElroy, who died in Belle Harbor, Long Island, N. Y., last July. Mrs. McElroy alleges she has been unable to collect on the policy taken out by her husband shortly before his death.

FIVE YOUTHS KILLED.

Mangled by an Explosion While Eating Lunch in a Boiler Room.

WEST BAY CITY, Mich., Dec. 18.—By the explosion of the boilers in Russell Bros. planing mill and box factory, this morning, five persons were killed and several others injured. The dead are:

JOHN CALVERT, fireman, aged twenty-one.

GEORGE PUND, aged seventeen.

JOHN BRANN, aged fifteen.

AL HEAVENBACHER, aged seventeen.

The injured are: Fred Johnson, leg bruised; Charles Dodge, back injured; Roy Hudson, face badly cut. The explosion occurred at the mill when a boiler burst down for a few moments, and the boys were in the boiler room eating lunch. All the bodies were terribly mangled. The explosion was not preventable, John Haining, the engineer, stepped out of the room a moment before the explosion. Several of the boys were the only support of families.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Fair and Warmer in Indiana To-Day.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—For Ohio and Indiana—Fair; warmer; south winds.

For Illinois—Fair; warmer; southerly winds.

Local Observations.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 18.

Time, Bar, Ther., R. H. Wind, Weather, Pre.

7 A.M. 30.35 26 81 North, Clear. 0.00

7 P.M. 30.24 35 78 East, Clear. 0.00

Maximum temperature, 37; minimum temperature, 24. The following is a comparative statement of the temperature and precipitation for the month of December.

Normal..... 33 0.11

Mean..... 30 0.00

Excess or deficiency since Nov. 1..... -0.34

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NOT AN HONEST MAN

ALL NEW YORK POLICEMEN SEEMINGLY MORE OR LESS CORRUPT.

Even "Honest" Inspector Steers, Now Retired, Received 80 Per Cent. of One District's Blood Money.

ROTTEN STEAMBOAT SQUAD

HOW "PROTECTION TRIBUTE" WAS DISPOSED OF BY WARDMEN.

Captain Schmittberger's Attempt to Bribe an Agent-Creedon's \$15,000—Martin Too Ill to Testify.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—When the Lexow investigation committee began its work to-day there was a great deal of talk about the "protection tribute" which the police captains, Creeden, Allaire and Creedon, all in full uniform, had been officially informed that the suspension of Captain Creedon by the police board had been revoked. Mr. Goff remarks that, in his mind, there was some doubt as to whether or not it is an indictable offense for anybody, even the police board, to bring an action against a person who has given evidence before the committee. The fact that they had given the testimony, guaranteed them immunity. "A person who does testify against himself," continued Mr. Goff, "is absolutely exempt from any indictment and from prosecution based on that testimony."

Captain Steers was the first witness of the day. He testified that his wife's name was Barbara, and that neither he nor his wife had a bank account. He also said there were no real estate or mortgages in his wife's name.

John W. Reppenhagen, the man who handled Captain Creedon's \$15,000, was the next witness. He reiterated his testimony of Friday, to the effect that Snell gave him a check for \$15,000, and that Martin knew he had this check. Then he deposited the check and afterward drew it out on July 18, 1892. He admitted that \$5,000 was paid to him as a bribe for his influence in the matter. It was a custom for the saloon keepers in his vicinity to give small loans to the police, say \$5 or \$10 at a time, and, as a result, the police were not so strict about the enforcement of the law as they were when he was in the saloon. They were also supposed to make a Christmas present for the captain every year.

Policeman O'Neil was then called to the stand. Sergeant Taylor and Captain Allaire were also called and sworn, and were questioned to leave the room while O'Neil testified. The witness was then told that no action could be brought against him for his testimony and was warned of the danger of perjuring himself. O'Neil said that he is now a member of the steamboat squad, having been assigned to that service in 1892, when Captain Cassidy was in command.

"While you were on the steamboat squad, did you ever receive any money from the White Star line?"

"Ten dollars a week and my meals."

"Out of that per week did you have to pay anything?"

"Yes; \$5 a month to wardman Michael Gannon for his services."

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